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AM 2010-046

To Consider a Six-Month Extension to the Comcast Franchise Agreement

Agenda Date: Town Board Meeting - April 13, 2010

Attachments: a. Ordinance

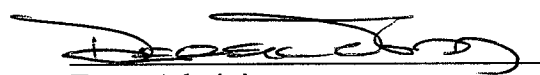
Fiscal Note: None noted or provided Fiscal note



Administrative Services Director

Submitted by: 

Town Clerk

Approved for Presentation: 

Town Administrator

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Certification of Board Approval:

Town Clerk

Date

Summary Statement:

The Franchise Agreement between the Town of Frederick and Comcast expired February 25, 2010 and the Town of Frederick has obtained a letter from Comcast stating during negotiations a month-to-month extension has been accepted.

Detail of Issue/Request:

Comcast and the Town of Frederick have initiated formal discussions regarding renewal of the Franchise Agreement. In November of 2009, the Town of Frederick, Town of Firestone and Comcast representative Janet Rinaldi reviewed the proposed Franchise Agreement line by line. The proposed changes are currently be drafted, once completed the newly proposed Franchise Agreement will be

provided to the Town Attorney for review and also to Comcast's attorneys for their review. The process for Comcast attorneys to review can be lengthy, so after discussion with the Town's attorney it was recommended we adopt an ordinance formally extending the Franchise Agreement for six months.

Legal/Political Considerations:

Alternatives/Options:

An alternative is to continue the month-to-month extension of the Comcast Franchise Agreement.

Financial Considerations:

Not Applicable

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends adoption of the proposed ordinance.